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Claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the present application.

- 1. (Currently Amended) A content on demand system comprising: a server logic adapted to deliver at least one audio and/or video stream and to insert markers in the at least one stream, the markers comprising position data in the at least one stream, and legie to receive from a set top box a marker obtained from the stream and comprising position data for an audio and/or video stream for which the set top box has paused or suspended viewing, and upon a signal from the set top box to resume streaming of the audio and/or video stream from a position proximate to the position data indicated by the marker.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The content on demand system of claim 1, further comprising: logic the server further adapted to deliver at least one audio and/or video stream and to insert markers in the at least one stream, the markers indicating a rating of content of the stream proximate to a position of the marker.
- 3. (Currently Amended) A content on demand system adapted to deliver at least one audio and/or video stream and to insert one or more of position, rating, restrictions, or commercial markers in the at least one stream and; logie to terminate rendering of the audio and/or video stream when an insufficient number of the markers are detected within a time interval.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A set top box comprising: logie adapted to scan an audio and/or video stream for one or more of position, rating, restrictions, or commercial markers; and logie to terminate rendering of the audio and/or video stream when an insufficient number of the markers are detected within a time interval.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The set top box of claim 4, wherein at least one marker indicates proximity of an end of the audio and/or video stream.

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- 6. (Previously Presented) The set top box of claim 4, wherein at least one marker indicates proximity of an advertisement in the audio and/or video stream.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The set top box of claim 4, wherein at least one marker indicates a rating of content of the audio and/or video stream.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The set top box of claim 4, further comprising logic adapted to inhibit at least one of fast forward, rewind, pausing, skipping, or playing of the audio and/or video stream.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The set top box of claim 4, further comprising logic adapted to inhibit at least one of viewing or listening of the audio and/or video stream when the rating is mature content.
- 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Currently Amended) The set top box of claim 4, further-comprising: logic adapted to enable rendering and/or navigation of the audio and/or video stream when a marker indicating an end to a restricting condition is encountered in the audio and/or video stream.
- 12. (Original) The set top box of claim 11, wherein the restricting condition further comprises: proximity of an end of the audio and/or video stream.
- 13. (Original) The set top box of claim 11, wherein the restricting condition further comprises: proximity of an advertisement in the audio and/or video stream.
- 14. (Original) The set top box of claim 11, wherein the restricting condition further comprises: a rating of content of the audio and/or video stream.

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15. (Currently Amended) The set top box of claim 11, wherein the logic to enable rendering and/or navigation of the audio and/or video stream further comprises: the logic further adapted to enable at least one of fast forward, rewind, pausing, skipping, or playing of the audio and/or video stream.

16. (Currently Amended) The set top box of claim 11, wherein the logic to enable rendering and/or navigation of the audio and/or video stream further comprises: the logic further adapted to enable at least one of viewing or listening of the audio and/or video stream when the rating is no longer mature content.